AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 LOUISVILLE AT WORK TEAM

Team Leaders Meeting Summary May 11, 2009

- Rick Johnstone introduced two new interns, Connie Barr and Quinn Pregliasco, who will be working on the ARRA support team this summer.
- Kim Allen presented an updated version of the ARRA Status Chart and highlighted changes. She reported that two companion documents are being compiled to provide grant application information on projects submitted by agencies associated with Metro Government, i.e. TARC and MSD, as well as applications submitted by external community agencies and non-profit organizations.
- Kim Allen contacted staff at Maryhurst, which served as the lead agency for the Local Youth Mentoring grant proposal, and was informed that information was not received from partner agencies in time to meet the application deadline. With knowledge that a number of community non-profit organizations may need assistance with grant preparation, especially in light of the tight ARRA timelines, the support team will make every effort to assist where possible. Rick Johnstone noted that competition within the community has been minimal to this point and that Metro will try to provide technical assistance or review grants if needed to ensure that viable proposals are submitted in a timely manner. Mary Lou Northern has scheduled a meeting of the Louisville at Work Faith Team on May 22nd to provide information on Recovery Act funding.
- Beth Niblock reported that the training presented at the mandatory Business Managers meeting was well received.
- Daro Mott thanked team leaders for sending in updates via the project trackers. Some have been posted on-line and are intend to provide a clear understanding of what projects have been funded and how money is being spent. The forms have been simplified to ensure readability and provide date-specific information.
- Daro Mott updated members on the requirement that the Mayor sign a written
 certification document for infrastructure projects under the Recovery Act. The
 certification is focused on ensuring that the project represents a good use of taxpayer
 dollars and that all information is accurate. He reported that the Local Planning
 Agency has prepared a guide and has scheduled a meeting in Frankfort this week to
 discuss these issues. Daro plans to attend and will provide an update at the next
 Team Leader meeting.
- Progress reports were presented by each of the Work Team leaders.